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Robert Heinlein

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Do Students Know What They Want?

by Mike Grube (S.G.A. Senator) and Rick Vanderlee (Chair for CTI)

Contributors

As we are entering the twenty-first century universities are going through fundamental changes. The economic realities of the time mean changes have to be made to reflect these realities. It is under these conditions that students are given an opportunity to take a direct role in shaping the way a university looks. How do you the student want to learn? How do you the student want to be taught? These are fundamental questions which need student input, so that L.U. can and will be one of the leading institutions in the years to come. As schools across North America change so too must Laurentian to compete with these schools in the future. University administrators need to know what skills students want to leave L.U. with and how students suggest to do this. Do students want more practical, hands-on experience or more theory?

There has been a great deal of discussion on what students want and the best ways to achieve this. Papers like the Harvard Assessment Seminars, the University of Alberta Draft Report on Teaching and Learning and the Emphasis on Teaching and Learning in Ontario explore the different perceptions within the field. These papers look at the support networks set up for professors to help with teaching innovations as a way for bettering teaching (Knapper & Rogers, 1994). They look at innovative ways to teach and learn such as "In a problem-based curriculum, students first encounter the major concepts and principles of a course in the context of solving a problem, working

collaboratively on a project, or by analyzing a case. Problem-based learning approaches, since they stress the acquisition of cognitive skills, increase student active involvement in the learning process and represent a radical departure from traditional definitions of teaching" (ibid). At the same time teaching innovation is not just anything different from lectures but any way that students learn better.

The priority for the Council of Teaching Innovation (CTI) is to clearly identify and promote learning / teaching strategies that are effective in producing independent lifelong learners. These learners will take an increasing responsibility for their own learning at L.U. The CTI recognizes three dominant future trends in educational innovation: a gradual shift towards a more learner-centred approach to learning; an increasing emphasis on process-centred as opposed to content-centred learning; and an explosive increase in the use of new information technology.

A University-wide process to identifying those skills and knowledge required to develop graduates who have the independent study and research skills to pursue the love of learning for its own sake will begin with two workshops in December. These groups will develop competency objectives for the undergraduate program. This is why it is so important that students get involved. University administrators have given us an opportunity to say what L.U. will look like in the future, so let's take advantage of it. For the rest of the year students will be asked what innovations they would like to see. Responses, written or oral, can be left at the S.G.A. office addressed to Mike Grube or Rick Vanderlee.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to drop them off or contact us through the S.G.A. office.

Student Politics: CFS calls For ON-To-Ottawa Trek

by Laurel Fortin
The Fulcrum, Ottawa

OTTAWA (CUP) — Taking a cue from labour history, Canada's largest student group is organizing an On-to-Ottawa trek from next May.

The Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) resolved during its annual general meeting that its member schools will cooperate with other community and campus organizations to pressure all levels of government to commit to a fully-accessible, high-quality, publicly-funded education system.

The On-to-Ottawa Trek will attempt to mobilize the government to consult Canadians about how they

want their institutions constructed. "We have a responsibility as students that a lot of people don't have," said Michael Temelin, a McGill University graduate student representative on the CFS national executive.

"We have the means, the time and the infrastructure," to develop a comprehensive plan for government social policy."

Temelini sees it as the "duty of our generation" to ensure a strong future for Canada. For the CFS, that means protecting education.

The On-to-Ottawa Trek will be held in the spirit of the 1935 trek during which tens-of-thousands of Canadians made their way to Ottawa to express their public objectives.

Plans for the event will be specified in the coming months.

The recent meeting of representatives from across the country also resulted in a decision to

circulate petitions condemning the Red Cross for its donor health assessment questionnaire. The questionnaire is considered homophobic, as it suggests that HIV is transmitted exclusively through male homosexual practices.

The petition will demand the Red Cross change the question to reflect that HIV transmission is based in sexual practice rather than sexual orientation.

The CFS renewed its commitments to various other social justice issues, including women's rights to free accessible abortion on demand, providing resources for member lesbian, gay and bisexual organizations, creating or supporting groups on member campuses for students of colour, and participating in a national day of recognition for native students on March 22.

University Staff Condemn Cuts to Education

Proposed Cuts will Erode Quality of Post-secondary Education

At their fall conference held recently in Toronto, delegates of the Confederation of Ontario University Staff Association (COUSA) condemned the effect of the provincial cuts to post-secondary education. The resulting damage to accessibility of students to education, the quality of post-secondary education, the economic impact on local communities and the long term competitiveness of Ontario will strain the system to the limits.

For the last fifteen years, the university sector has experienced chronic underfunding. This downward spiral of funding has kept Ontario ranked 9th among Canadian provinces in per student funding. Even the draconian model of Alberta's Ralph Klein has resulted in

funding per student in that province's universities at a level of 10% higher than Ontario, even before the Harris cuts. COUSA members are also concerned that the proposed cuts to the post-secondary sector will be devastating to local economics in university areas. For every \$1 in provincial cuts, \$4 are lost in that economy. The Common Sense Revolution promises cuts of \$400 million to the post-secondary sector. Obviously these kinds of measures will have a substantial impact to communities with post-secondary institutions.

Kathleen Woodcock, president of COUSA, speaking at the business meeting, explained to the delegates that in fact, the true answer to dealing with Ontario's long term debt is to invest more, not less, in research, development and higher education. Only by making that kind

of investment can we help future generations combat the fiscal woes they will face. It is acknowledged that those with post-secondary education have a better chance for a better job. Thus, the investment in university education, while a long term one, reaps rewards in the form of less unemployment and a higher income pool from which to draw taxes. Only in this manner can we ensure a thriving Ontario economy in the 21st century. Cutting deeper into a system that is down to the bone will not benefit anyone.

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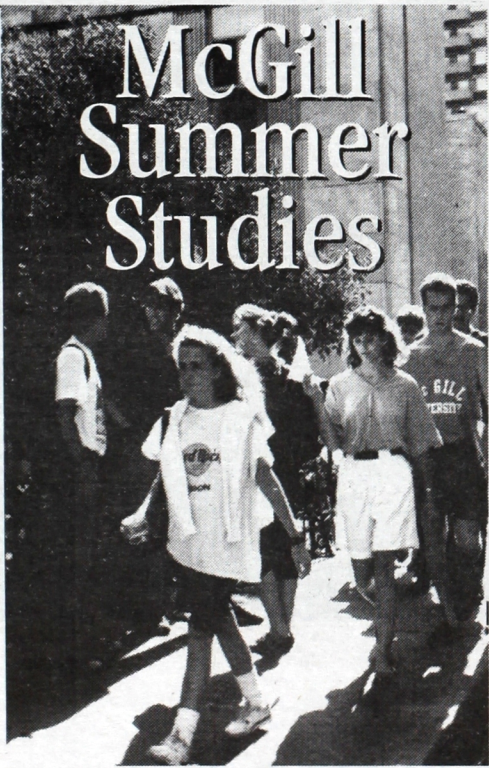
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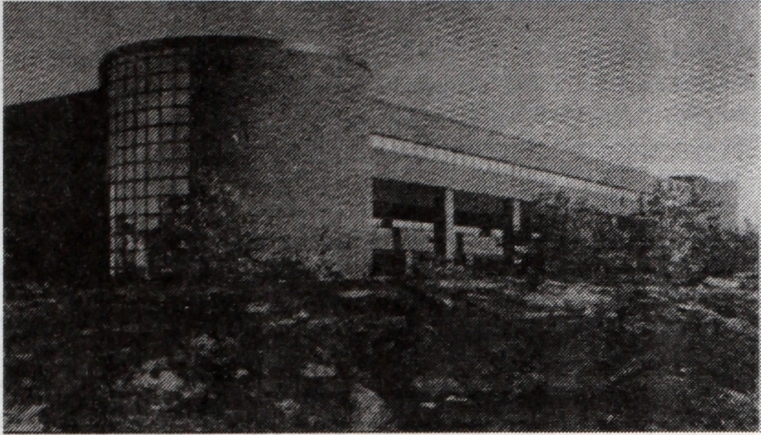
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Student Journalists Irked By Maclean's Survey



by Michela Pasquali
Toronto (CUP)

Campus journalists are annoyed that Maclean's magazine never informed them it was taking their submissions for its annual survey of Canadian universities and putting it in a guidebook.

Last year, the magazine started a "What's hot, what's not" section that appeared along with the annual ranking. The section is comprised of submissions from campus journalists and student leaders.

This year, the "What's hot, what's not" section wasn't included in the issue.

Instead, says Victor Dwyer, education editor for Maclean's, it will appear in a 150-page guidebook to Canadian universities to be released at the end of the year.

Student journalists who sent submissions to the magazine say it would have been nice if they'd been informed of this by Maclean's.

"I thought it was the typical thing, like every year," said Dionne Stephens, editor of York University's *excalibur*. "It's not ethical the way they did it without telling us it would be in a book," she said.

Matthew Shepherd, editor of Ryerson University's *Eyeopener* says no one at Maclean's told him about the guidebook either.

But he says he doesn't feel Maclean's action were unethical.

"I do wish Maclean's would have been a little more forthright. I have no problem with their putting [the submissions] in the guidebook, but I wish they would have told us," said Shepherd.

Craig Saunders, editor of the University of Regina's *Carillon* also says he doesn't care where the information goes, but says Maclean's had a responsibility to inform people about the book.

"Maclean's never mentioned [a guidebook]. I don't

know if we would have responded differently though. I think it would have been more ethical for Maclean's to let us know where the information was going," he said.

"Blah! That's what I have to say about Maclean's," he added.

Dwyer says the decision to leave the "What's hot, what's not" section out of the November issue and put it in the new guidebook was an editorial one.

He says it was left out of the magazine because there wasn't enough room in the issue for the section.

"I guess that's just something that changed... we weren't really sure what was going to go where. It wasn't an attempt to deceive anyone, it was just an editorial change," he said.

Dwyer says he realizes how hard the students worked to compile the information for the section and says having it in the guidebook is more of a reward for their efforts.

"Their hard work is going to have much more time on the stands than if it just went in the issue," he said.

The annual survey is on newsstands for several weeks while the guidebook is around for a year, says Dwyer.

Controversy surrounded the "What's hot, what's not" section last year after the *excalibur* submitted false information to the magazine which was printed in the survey issue.

Dwyer says he's not concerned about something like that happening again. He says most mistakes are caught, and he doesn't condemn those who try to sneak them into the magazine.

"That's just part of the game. They wouldn't be students if they didn't challenge the establishment," he said.

"It would be a boring country if university students didn't try stuff like that," Dwyer added.

Dwyer says the guidebook will dedicate two pages to every university in Canada and will be geared toward high school students who are trying to decide which university to go to.

Harris On The Hotseat

by Sean Cloutier
Contributor

It was bitterly cold in Sudbury last Friday night, Mike Harris was in town, and judging from the smile on his face he obviously came from a warmer place. The faces of the crowd were long but the frustrations of the 1000 strong were enough to keep them warm.

At \$150 a plate, the Four Points Hotel provided a hive to feed Mr. Harris and his minions at the Progressive Conservative fundraising dinner. The profits made from the dinner will go to pay off the debt of running the last campaign. Our own university president Dr. Ross Paul was among those who swarmed to the hotel.

Outside, organizers stood on the back of a pickup truck and denounced the cuts made by Mr. Harris. Each time a Harris cut was announced the crowd erupted in a roar: Shame! Shame! Shame! The Ontario Public Service Employees Union was there, also guest starring was the Mine Mill and Steelworkers, and making a special appearance was the Coalition for Social Justice. But more importantly people were there. Men, women, children, young, old, straight, black, white, native; you know, people, the same people who make up Sudbury.

These people came to let Mr. Harris know that his solutions are unacceptable. The problem is unemployment and the cure is jobs. The slashing of welfare, allowing the use of scab labour, and cutting social programs have just taken the bandaid off the wound of unemployment. The message of the event was clear: stop attacking the poor and stop attacking unions!



But what does all this have to do with Laurentian University students?

This question was put to the President of the Sudbury and District Labour Council, John Filo. His reply was that as students, we are all "stakeholders in the system!" And that it is a "disgrace" that students face such bleak job prospects! Perhaps his most important comment was that the future is going to be left to the leadership of today's post-secondary students!

These words mean something specific to Laurentian. Laurentian is different—it is not Queen's, nor is it Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and it is certainly not Mount Allison. Laurentian ranked second last in Maclean's university rankings. It has 65% of its student body relying on government loans. Laurentian has a great number of first generation university students and draws a large portion of its population from northern towns like Timmins and it draws students with poor grades from the south. The parents of Laurentian students are factory workers, miners,

as John Filo says, "blue collar workers;" Laurentian students are also the sons and daughters of government workers.

Mike Harris has directed his attack on these people and his attack has taken the form of government layoffs, cutbacks, and the repeal of Bill 40. For students who hope to have the same success and security as their parents, Mike Harris is not taking any steps to make sure this happens. No one will deny that something must be done about the deficit but Laurentian students must question whether or not Mr. Harris is providing genuine solutions for Laurentian students.

Any one (as Mr. Harris has demonstrated) can cut costs and repeal legislation that affects the social groups with the least political and economic clout—the poor, students, unions and the working class as a whole. Mr. Harris once said that he will reduce the deficit if it takes twenty years; it is a remarkable coincidence that twenty years is pretty much the rest of a student's life.

ATTENTION!! WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE???



These are (we think) the winners from the Family Feud type game held during Bilingualism Week. Unfortunately, William Brydges, VP Communication & Bilingual Affairs did not submit a write-up concerning this event. Any question? Please feel free to contact him at Ext 1079

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ALCOHOL REDUCES SENSITIVITY

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A Trip To Egypt

by Amanda Lusted
News Editor



Many professors around Laurentian University are involved in all types of research. On Tuesday, November 21, Dr. Fairgrieve, a professor in the Sociology/Anthropology department, and Tracy Oost, a TA for Dr. Fairgrieve, told those at a special talk about their research and experiences with their research.

The Dakhleh Oasis was the destination of the talk. For those of you who do not know, the Dakhleh Oasis is located in Egypt (hence, the title of this article), west of Kharga.

Via a slide show, Dr. Fairgrieve led us through the work that he has done for several years in Dakhleh. Students and faculty were treated to some very spectacular scenery and a look inside several tombs that had not seen light in over 2000 years. It was quite amazing to see that there was still hair and skin left on the bodies. One slide that was shown was of a mummy autopsy, with some of the organ, albeit dried out, but still in anatomical position.

Tracy Oost led us through her experience in Egypt with a students point of view. Those in attendance got a chance to see what the Oasis looks like, living quarters and how the desert looks much more

like the moon then Sudbury does. Some of the really neat slides were of bones from an infant not more than a few months old at death. Tracy also shows some slides of her time being a tourist, the Great Pyramid of Giza and others were among the attractions.

This was a great experience for students and faculty to see some of the research that has been going on with our professors. A special thanks to the Anthropology/Sociology Society for arranging it and to Dr. Fairgrieve and Tracy for their time.

Positive Response

This is in response to Mr. Young's letter to the Amiable Librarian concerning students sleeping in the library in the November 9 issue.

Stephen Young makes a valid point about students sleeping in the periodical area of the library. These students tend to take two chairs thus reducing the availability of chairs for other students who may wish to read or study in this area.

However, he completely missed the boat on the prestige issue. Having taken courses at both McMaster and Western (both prestigious universities), I can tell you that students sleep in their libraries too. The one thing about "prestigious" universities is that they generally have more money which means that they have even more comfortable chairs to sleep in. The only requirement it that students not drool while sleeping.

Let's face it — students sleep in the library regardless of what people think; they always have and they always will. Since Mr. Young and his friends seem so concerned about this issue, why don't they, once they are alumni, donate money to Laurentian for the sole purpose of setting up and furnishing a sleeping room. It can even be named after Mr. Young!!!

Sincerely,
Someone who agrees with the Amiable Librarian

by Paddy Blenkinsop
Counselling and Resource Centre

III. LOOKING FOR WORK

Since our society is "dejobbing", there are likely to be few jobs available. So we have to take a new approach to finding work.

A startling illustration of what is happening today is a situation I met just recently. A student, newly graduated from Laurentian, told me that he had sent out a thousand resumes and was receiving refusals at the rate of about 30 a day. This was a bright person with some excellent job experience. He was pretty angry. Who wouldn't be?

So, given the present trend, how do you set about finding work?

First, you stop thinking about the permanent job. That may emerge for you in the future, but at this stage only the few will be lucky enough to find a job in the area that interests them. There are Ph.D's, teachers, lawyers who do not have jobs and are

Reality Check

finding work where they can.

You & Company
The alternative to the "job" is building your own career or, in Bridges' words, "converting yourself into a business", YOU & CO. Your DATA - remember: Desires, Aptitudes, Temperament, Assets - are the product that you wish to sell.

To get into training for this approach, think of any job you have done. Write a business prospectus to your boss telling him or her why you should be hired to do that job; what are the DATA that you bring? Go ahead. Practise!

If you're a business, then you need to run yourself like one.

- set up an office at home with equipment and supplies;
- print a business card and a current resume;
- keep your "books" up to date;
- prepare a business plan, a plan to get you where you want to go;
- take courses or programmes to acquire skills you need;
- build your "network" of people who can help you.

Your career path
What you are doing here is reframing the task of finding work. Instead of hunting down a ready-to-wear job

that fits you, you are creating your own career path. This is an on-going project and, initially, you may find yourself involved in a variety of activities, only some of which are directly related to your career.

Your work life may look like this:

- Part-time job or jobs. Needed to make money to live;
- Short-term contract related to career interests;
- Volunteer position related to career interests;
- university or college course(s) to improve skills.

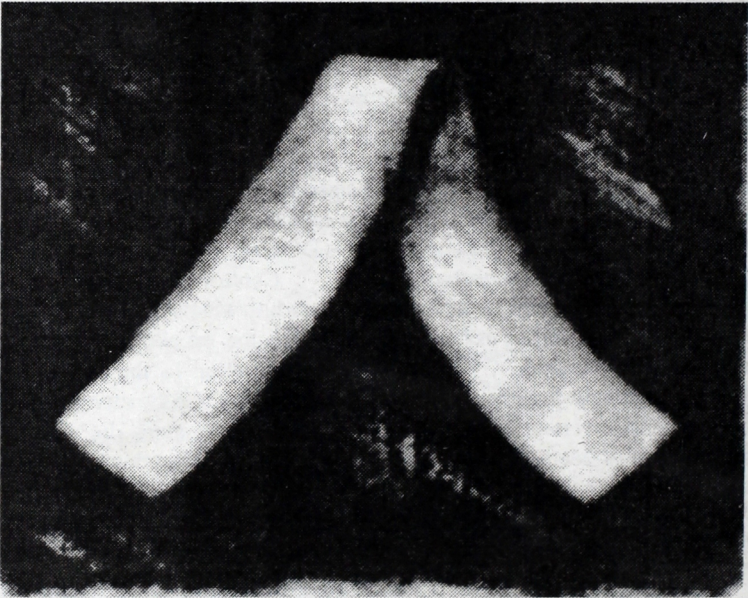
Thus, instead of one job, you may be involved in several activities, but activities that lead you directly or indirectly in the direction of your career goal. Your career has become a lifelong project.

Are you ready?
This approach to finding work is not so new to many of you. Already, as students your life is organized in this way; you are studying, full- or part-time, many have jobs to pay their fees, many are volunteering to acquire experience in an area of interest to them. Summer jobs are another way of making money or getting experience, or both if you're lucky. So you know how to do it and, since this is the way the world is going, organize You & Co. to be ready for it.

Montreal - Six Years Later

by Amanda Lusted
News Editor

December 6th marks the sixth anniversary of the Montreal Massacre at L'École Polytechnique. In 1989 a man by the name of Marc Lepine entered the Engineering building at L'École Polytechnique at shot 14 women before turning the gun on himself. In alphabetical order the fourteen women who lost their lives that day are: Geniève Bergeron, 21; Hélène Colgan, 23; Nahalie Croteau, 23; Barabrra Daigneault, 22; Anne-Marie Edward, 21; Maud Haviernick, 29; Barbara Marie Klucznik, 31; Maryse Lananiène, 25; Maryse Leclare, 23; Anne-Marie Lemay, 27; Sonia Pelltier, 28;



Michèle Richard, 21; Anne St-Arneault, 23 and Annie Turcotte, 21.

A memorial service will be held at 3:00 Wednesday, December 6th in Canisius Hall, University of Sudbury. Anyone wishing more details should contact Norma MacRae at 675-1151 ext. 3422.

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The Amiable Librarian

This column is based on questions or suggestions received by staff members of the Desmarais Library either personally or on the "Compliments / Questions / Suggestions" form that may be filled out near the exit of the library.

Question: Does anyone ever say anything nice about the library?

Reply: Often actually. The most recent comment that really pleased all the staff appeared in this very newspaper two weeks ago. In a column reporting a meeting held by the SGA with the President, it was remarked that "One area that was singled out as having improved tenfold was the Library." On behalf of the library staff, the Amiable Librarian thanks members of the SGA, as well as the editor of *Lambda*, for those kind thoughts. Now, on to the problems.

Comment: I noticed that the Amiable Librarian did not respond to the letter in *Lambda* re: sleeping in the library. I thought the person was right on in his frustration about the sleepers. Yes, why don't we get rid of the books and put in beds? Come on, Amiable Librarian, can you honestly condone this behaviour?

Reply: Yes. The Amiable Librarian stands by the position expressed and is delighted that students feel enough at home in the library that they can

doze off. Obviously not every one agrees but isn't that what universities are all about—expressing differences of opinion (but hopefully not so loudly that the sleepers will be wakened).

Complaint: The library WAC course is useless and causes students to waste time. We DO HAVE more important work to do! The final testing costs US money to photocopy and therefore you are making money off us!

Reply: The Amiable Librarian is sorry that you respond so negatively to the library's programme for WAC students. Its goal is to turn students into independent researchers and there is ample evidence to suggest that without the programme, students would have more difficulty using the library effectively than with it. You may be the exception. Believe it or not, many professors not teaching WAC have become so convinced of the importance of library research skills that they have made the library programme compulsory for their students as well.

The exercise is designed to complement a writing assignment in a WAC course, and the photocopy component is just an easy way for the librarian checking the assignment to ensure that the student completing the work has in fact found a book and an article on a topic relevant to the student. Any student who wants to retain the photocopies is certainly entitled to do so.

Comment: Get the ***&^(* microfilm machines fixed. They don't photocopy right.

Reply: The Library has an annual service agreement for the microform machines with Brooks Office Service in Port Loring, Ontario, and at least once a week, a service technician, Dan Brooks, materializes to make sure they work. Obviously they don't photocopy as well as the Canon, Panasonic, and Xerox photocopiers, and apparently the reason is that when photocopying from a negative such as a newspaper on microfilm, more photocopy dust is left on the drum than is the case otherwise. As the drum gets dirtier, the photocopy quality deteriorates. The Amiable Librarian is pleased to announce that as a result of your concern the library has established a Task Force headed by Judith Buse, our evening supervisor, and its job will be to investigate problems associated with these machines and make recommen-

dations—including the possibility of moving them closer to service points and possibly, replacing them with better equipment. Stay tuned.

Extended Library Hours During the Exam Period

Friday	8 December	8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Sunday	10 December	11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday	15 December	8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Sunday	17 December	11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Library Hours during Christmas/New Year's Period

Tuesday	19 December	8:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	20 December	8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Thursday	21 December	8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday	22 December	8:30 a.m. - noon

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Thursday	4 January	8:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Friday	5 January	8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
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Off-Campus News

by Stephannie Maville
Contributor

- If anyone has any questions, concerns, or suggestions please feel free to contact me through e-mail. My address is: S5300515@nickel.laurentian.ca
- I did receive one note regarding post office box locations on campus. Just in case you aren't aware they are located just outside the Great Hall (outdoors) and in front of U.C. residence.
- There is now a bulletin in the Local News on the VAX under "L.U. LOCS/EHCL" for off-campus students attending Laurentian regarding upcoming events and significant information.
- Anyone interested in intramural women's hockey and/or co-ed indoor soccer should contact a LOCS / EHCL executive member at desk # 15 in the Clubs Room.
- Nothing has been planned by LOCS / EHCL until Carny Week. Be sure to start organizing your teams soon for this fabulous week of fun in February!!
- An open forum regarding tuition fees has been planned for December 4th or 5th here at Laurentian. Watch for details.

If you don't feel comfortable with the e-mail route, then leave a message in the SGA office for myself, or one of the other SGA off-campus reps. After all, it is our job to represent your needs to the board. Thus it helps us to be aware of your needs, rather than what we think the off-campus population wants.

One last note: anyone interested in volunteering for Carny Week to help out with an information booth sometime during the week of January 15th-19th, please get in touch with me ASAP!

LUMAC

by Sherry-Ann Downing
Contributor

Having recently moved here from Sault Ste. Marie, my journey into the politics of L.U.'s Museum and Art Centre for the purpose of writing a class paper in Canadian Thought and Culture has been a long and interesting one. I was eager to learn all that I could about LUMAC, especially since there have been many changes over the past year. As an artist, I must say that I was disappointed in what I've discovered.

Coming from a border town, I grew up appreciating the wide variety of local and regional talent that was offered in all artistic arenas. With large Native, Francophone, Italian, and Anglophone populations in the city, the Sault boasts of many different and varied creative outlets. With the Algoma Art Gallery in operation, as well as many other cultural institutions, Saultites take full advantage of the cultural heritages that surround them. And they do.

I thought that moving to Sudbury would be an extension of the experiences that I had in the Sault, and in a way it has been. Within the first few weeks of being in Sudbury, I had the privilege of attending my first Pow-Wow, at L.U. during Native Awareness Week; have visited the Native Friendship Centre; have been to poetry readings; and I have visited LUMAC on numerous occasions. It is exciting to be able to take part in the cultural events that are such an integral

part of this community. But why are there so few people who share my excitement?

My recent discovery of LUMAC has brought me to the museum/gallery numerous times. I find the gallery relaxing and peaceful and frequent the mansion for these reasons. Despite the research that I have done, I still find myself overwhelmed with questions after each visit. What is the future of LUMAC? What must be done in order to save such an important and vital cultural institution? How important is LUMAC to the social fabric of this community?

First things first. The most pressing question on the minds of the community is What is the future of LUMAC? A week ago I spoke to Gisele Mehes, from Laurentian University's office of university advancement. She said that "nobody really knows what the future of LUMAC is at the moment." My response is when will somebody have answers? I can't help but wonder if the university administration is waiting until the budget comes in November to decide the fate of LUMAC. Also, with three prominent "stakeholders" in the museum—L.U.'s administration, the professional staff at LUMAC, and the artistic community—why does the university get to make all of the decisions? The university claims ownership of the Bell estate but the museum's professional staff and the community play key and integral parts in LUMAC's future.

Secondly, while the number of things that need to be done in order

to ensure that LUMAC remains an active part of Sudbury and regional community are many, there IS action that the public can take. Memberships, for example, have almost doubled since August—from 149 to 248. People are becoming more involved in the museum: the attendance has gone up dramatically and the public is finally starting to take LUMAC more seriously. I have to ask myself, though, why does it take a crisis for the community to become involved? The museum has been open for many years, but the attendance levels don't reflect this. Visitation has dramatically decreased since 1990 when 14,224 people visited LUMAC; only 7,023 people visited in 1994. The hours at LUMAC are conducive to public visitation. For those of us who can't make it during business hours, weeks ends are always open. If people have vested interests in the museum then it's about time that they're shown.

Thirdly, LUMAC's position in the Sudbury and regional community should be a vital and important one. Located in a city of only 81,000, as compared to Sudbury's 93,000, the Art Gallery of Algoma in Sault Ste. Marie has an attendance level of 36,000, or five times that of LUMAC. To protect one's culture, you must protect your cultural institutions. What other all-encompassing outlets are there for artists and art appreciators? By not taking advantage of LUMAC, Sudburians are throwing away excellent opportunities to take part in their own cultures and heritages. To be able to study, research, and above all enjoy, art and history is amazing. It's all at our fingertips, or rather it's all at LUMAC.



PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Info

CAMPUS MINISTRY
Thursday, Dec. 7 1995. Lecture: Aspects of Indian Philosophy and Hinduism by Dr. G. C. Nayak, Ph.D. Canisius Hall, University of Sudbury, 7:00 pm. All are welcome! Dr. Nayak is a retired professor of philosophy, Utkal University, India. He is at present a visiting professor at the University of Saskatchewan. Dr. Nayak is internationally known for his publications in Indian Philosophy and Religion.

Thursday, December 7, 1995 at 6:00 pm-Round Chapel, U of S
Sacrament of reconciliation in preparation for Christmas. What blockage in my life stops me from loving as much as I could or should, Jesus' way? An opportunity to acknowledge the forgiving love of God as a community. Priests will be available for private confessions.



Contest

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WHAT'S ON AROUND TOWN

We at What's On would like to extend our most heart-felt apology to those who were harmed in any way by our misprint last week in saying that Bob Wiseman played on Friday and not Thursday.

Friday, December 1

Blues is cool. Must go see **The Legendary Band of No Goods** tonight at Borky's Bar and Grill on Durham St. downtown.

Saturday, December 2

Must go back to Borky's tonight to watch **The No Goods** again.

Sunday, December 3

The Simpsons are funny. Must watch them tonight at 8:00 on Fox then at 8:30 on Global.

Huntington's Christmas Carol and Musical Evening at the Huntington Social centre at 7:00.

The Sudbury Theatre Centre is presenting **Treasure Island** until the 17th.

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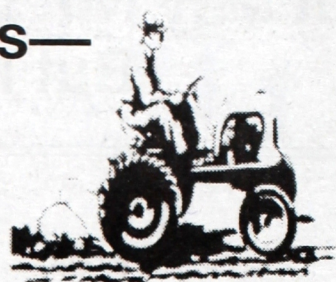
Wednesday, December 6

Tonight you should really watch **The Champagne Safari** on TVO.

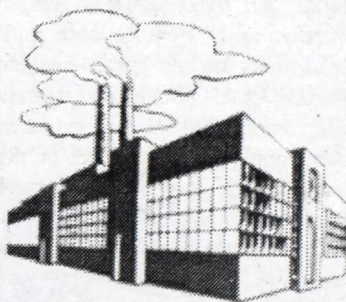
Champagne Safari

"He was an industrial pioneer at the centre of business. He was creative and intelligent—an inventor, explorer and powerbroker. He dealt with kings, presidents, and captains of industry...In some ways Bedaux embodies much of what was at the heart of the 20th century because of his ideas for mass production and his brush with the Nazis who tried to control it." George Ungar, producer of *The Champagne Safari* is speaking of Charles Bedaux, the subject of his National Film Board-sponsored documentary. This is the fascinating story of Bedaux, who was not only an accomplished artist (best known for his animation and painting), an inventor, and an amateur explorer, but also a well-known businessman during the tumultuous thirties. He worked between the Western democracies and fascist regimes in Germany and Italy, much like Oscar Schindler. However, while Schindler became a hero, Bedaux got caught.

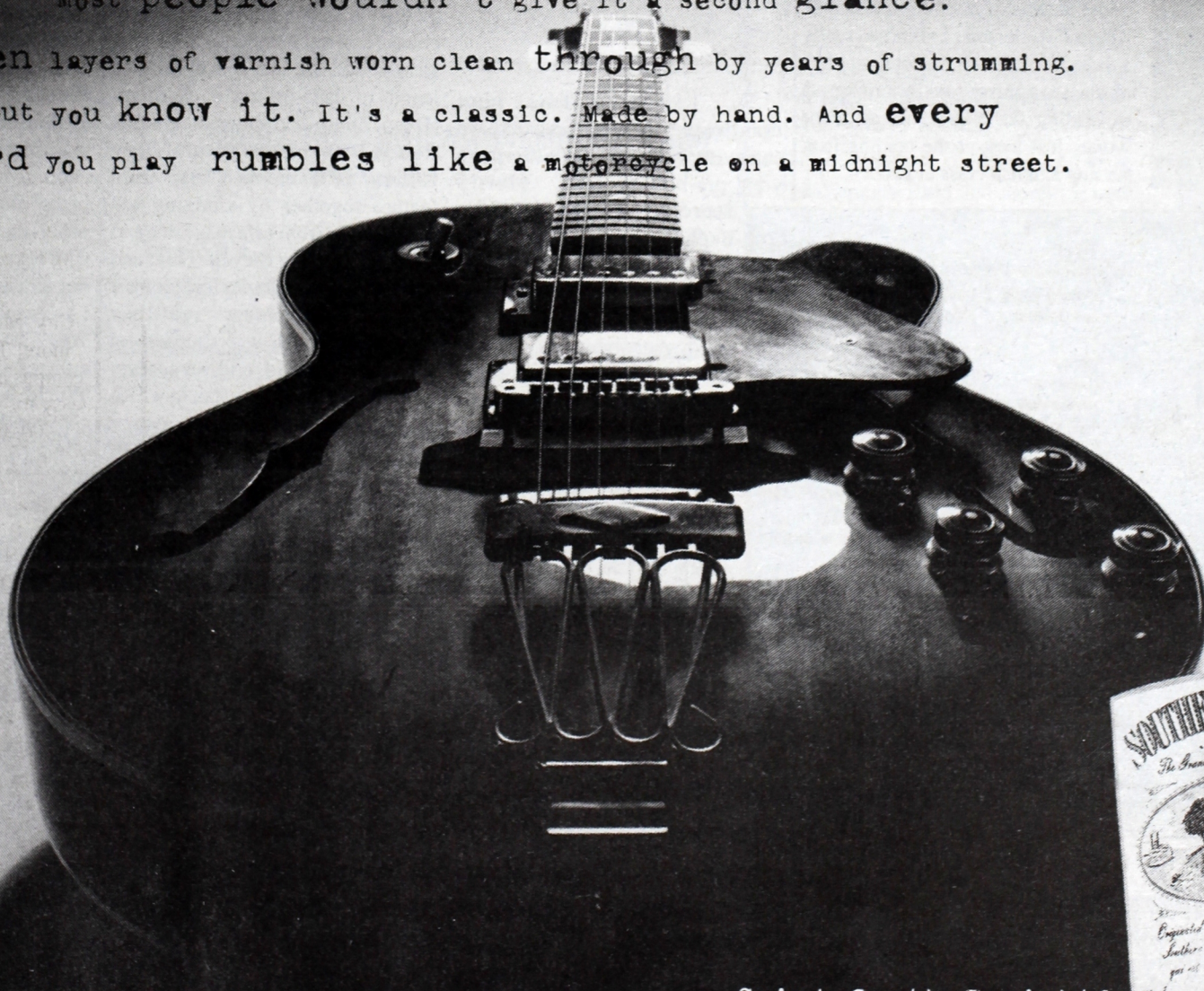
Urban Legends— The Kentucky Fried Rat and Other Stories



1. Green M&M's are an aphrodisiac. (false)
2. Red M&M's are a carcinogen. (false)
3. Grape seeds can get caught in your appendix and give you appendicitis. (false)
4. Ingesting a tapeworm can keep you slim, so people do this regularly. (false)
5. Many CIA snack bars are staffed by blind people. (true)
6. They're hired to help maintain secrecy. (false)
7. The red leaves of poinsettias are deadly poisonous. (false)
8. Mikey of Life cereal fame exploded from eating pop rocks with soda. (false)
9. Shampoos and foreign beauty aids are made from aborted babies. (false)
10. Couple travels to exotic locale with dog. Eatery prepares it for them. (false)
11. Some people like to eat the placenta (AKA afterbirth) after their babies are born.
12. Snake hidden in imported fruit (bananas, pineapples, etc.) bites/kills someone. (false)
13. Woman removes label from tuna can and finds cat food label underneath. (true)
14. The cat food was actually tuna canned 6 years earlier in Canada, declared unfit for human consumption, allowed to be exported as pet food, and then illegally relabeled as tuna again. (true—found in The Toronto Star, March 24, 1992)
15. Drinking alcoholic beverages through a straw makes one drunker faster. (believed to be false)
16. Bubble Yum bubble gum is manufactured with spiders' eggs. (false)
17. Some English beers contain fish guts. (true)
18. Eating ice will strip the enamel of your teeth and is somehow "bad" for you. (false)
19. There sure are lots of stories of people masturbating into the food they prepare. (true)
20. Most, if not all, are false, though. (true)



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chord you play rumbles like a motorcycle on a midnight street.



Go in' South Tonight?

It May Not Be Literature... But I Like It!

By Matthew Del Papa
Contributor

For most of my life, I have been an avid reader. During my childhood I read a lot of Dr. Seuss and Curious George. In my teens I turned to comic books and eventually I got into science fiction and fantasy. To this day science fiction and fantasy are my proverbial cup of tea (with three sugars) yet when I tell people they always look down their noses and scoff. They (my supposed literary superiors) tell me these things are not literature but mind candy. In high school, when English students were allowed to choose their own reading, I would pick Robert Heinlein, Robert Jordan or maybe Raymond Feist and was often told by my teacher to choose a "real" book. What's the old saying—"Those who can, do and those who can't, teach"? Just because a book isn't a century old, translated into a dozen languages or recognized by Northrop



Frye, doesn't mean it is not worth reading.

With that harangue off my chest, I can get to the point, which is to review the latest Star Wars novel. Titled **Darksaber**, it was written by Kevin J. Anderson, who did the **Jedi Academy Trilogy** and edited **Tales from the Mos Eisley Cantina**. This is by far the single best book in the Star Wars series (since Timothy Zahn stepped down), and captures the scope and grandeur of the movies. It tells the tale of the now defunct Empire's struggle to survive and expand in the Core systems. Eventually united under Admiral Daala, they strike out at the New Republic and all it stands for. Meanwhile, Luke and Calista search the galaxy for a way to restore her Jedi powers and coincidentally explore their new found feelings for each other. This is also the story of the Hutts' (infamous crimelords throughout the galaxy) attempt to develop their own Death Star, with the help of Bevil Lemelisk who designed and built the first two Death Stars. All these dangers remain unknown to the New Republic until it's virtually too late, but as usual the efforts of Chief of State Leia Organna Solo, General Han Solo and dedicated representatives and soldiers of the New Republic prevent disaster (as if you didn't know that already.)

What can I say? This book was everything I expected from a Star Wars volume: a solid story, action, adventure, battles in the depths of space, the odd lightsaber battle and even some romance. You see the characters develop as the story progresses and lose yourself in the undeniable story telling talents of Kevin J. Anderson. This novel ranks a three, three being the total number of classes I missed while immersed in reading it. You could do a lot worse, just look at the reading lists for any English class at L.U.

The First Time—A Book Review

by Jessica Bloomsbury
Contributor

I read books. In fact, since starting university I read a lot of books and I usually have one or more on hand at any given point. So when I got these two volumes of *The First Time*, I thought little of them until people starting flocking to them. "Oooh," they uniformly cooed, "What's this?" then I really looked at them and noticed the suggestive covers shown here. I know you aren't supposed to judge books by their covers, but I couldn't put these ones down after that initial titillation.

The idea behind these books is to educate people who are coming

THE FIRST TIME



of age sexually. "If you want straight talk about sex," the back cover says, "you get a lecture on body plumbing and sexually transmitted diseases. But what about the emotions, the desires, the feelings involved in a sexual encounter?" Because the subject is so potentially awkward and embarrassing, people seldom speak of losing their virginity. These books are remarkable because they discuss real-life encounters frankly.

I started reading tentatively at first, fearing that they would make me cringe like "Most Embarrassing Moments" in YM magazine. The narration helps ease the cringe factor as the stories are written by prolific professional writers and, being adults, have the distance from the subject to write objectively.

Nor, for you perverts out here, are these Penthouse-quality sex stories. Some of them don't go into any detail of the actual romp and instead deal with the surrounding emotions. I think anyone can relate to all that insecurity beforehand—"Will I be OK? Will it hurt? Will I like it? Will he/she like it? What if I don't do it right? Am I ready for this?" Then the book deals with the aftermath. Several of the couples never talk to each other after having sex and some keep trying after the less than spectacular initial bump and grind. Some people feel guilty

THE FIRST TIME



afterwards and some are strangely numb. One thing I found that most of the accounts have in common is that sex is seldom what people expect the first time around.

Also remarkable in these novels is the diversity of sexual experiences depicted. There are homosexual couples, one person going solo, a disabled couple, some older, and some younger. The novels are not limited to one idea of sex, but rather describe significant moments of sexual awakening. The editor, Montreal-based author Charles Montpetit, also invites the reader to submit their own accounts of first times. The address, for those interested, is Charles Montpetit, *The First Time Volume 3*, c/o Orca Book Publishers, Box 5626, Station B, Victoria BC, V8R 6S4. They have to be true and they have to be honest. And remember, there's a first time for everything.

Get to Casino in the Nick of Time

by Jon Norris
Contributor

Two very different films from two very different directors have entered the box office battle to capture your pre-holiday cash: **Martin Scorsese's Casino** and **John Badham's Nick of Time**. When compared with the current trash available (i.e. that Ventura crap) both of these film's are well worth your attention.

Nick of Time stars **Johnny Depp** (**Edward Scissor Hands**) as everyday accountant **Gene Watts**. Time is of the essence as Watts is rushing to a job interview. Getting off the train in L.A.'s Union station with his daughter **Lynn**, Watts becomes caught up in an altogether different race against the clock. Mr. Smith (**Christopher Walken**, **Pulp Fiction** and **View to a Kill**) and Ms. Jones (**Roma Maffia**, **The Paper**) are your modern day from-your-own-country terrorists and they've kidnapped Watts'

daughter. He is given 90 minutes to assassinate the California governor (**Marsha Mason**, **I Love Trouble**) or his daughter will be killed.

What's interesting about this picture is that not only is Depp's character given 90 minutes to become an assassin, but that this is also the length of the film itself. **Badham** (**Drop Zone**) and cinematographer **Robert Richardson** (**Natural Born Killers**, **JFK**) marked their third feature together by studying old photographs from **Life** magazine and such films as **The Bicycle Thief** and **Klute**. This gave them a feel for their "stylish documentary" real-time experiment which was shot almost entirely handheld and steadicam including one amazing shot in which Mr. Smith throws Watts over a balcony and into a fountain 80ft below. Rigged with British W.W. II paratrooper training devices to help negotiate the fall, Depp actually performed this stunt himself in sync with a similarly outfitted camera operator. The result is amazing!

Casino stars **Robert DeNiro** (**Raging Bull**, **Taxi Driver**) as Sam "Ace" Rothstein, an expert handicapper from Chicago who moves up into the Las Vegas crime world of the 1970s when he is chosen by the mafia to run the Tangiers

Casino. Along for the ride are Rothstein's life long friend and enforcer **Nicky Santoro** (**Joe Pesci**, **Goodfellas**) and the lust of his life **Ginger** (**Sharon Stone**, **Sliver**).

For **Scorsese** (**Last Temptation of Christ**, **Cape Fear**) and cinematographer **Robert Richardson** (**Natural Born Killers**, **JFK**) filming **Casino** presented two main problems, the first because they chose to shoot in a real casino. Not being allowed to disturb the high rollers meant filming on the midnight shift for a good portion of the film—not an easy thing to do! Secondly, Las Vegas has changed a lot since the 70s. To avoid this problem they enlisted the help of **Matte Digital World** who recreated much of the old Las Vegas with 3-D computer graphics and digital paintings. All technical aspects included, **Casino** is definitely **Scorsese's** most ambitious film yet!

For both **Badham** and **Scorsese**, these films represent substantial achievement in the world of cinema. So remember, if you're going to spend your pre-holiday cash wisely then you can place your bets on **Casino** and **Nick of Time**. The odds are in your favour!

CFLR CHART FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20, 1995					
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2	3	5	•Caspers	Driving Along a Massive Dam	PF Records
3	5	7	•The Sweaters	Let Me Out	Nefer
4	7	2	Voodoo Glow Skulls	firme	Epitaph
5	14	12	•Wild Strawberries	Herione	Nettwerk
6	21	2	Gwar	Ragnarok	Attic
7	22	2	The Vacant Lot	Shake Well	Shake
8	6	3	•Mark Brodie & the Beaver	The Shores Of Hell	Shredder
9	8	5	Boss Hog	Boss Hog	MCA
10	2	5	Pinhead Gunpowder	Carry The Banner	Lookout!
11	-	nu	•Voivod	Negatron	Hypnotic/A&M
12	-	nu	•Bob Wiseman	Accidentally Acquired Beliefs	Warner
13	12	12	•Various Artists	Punk: The Next Generation	Barely Legal
14	15	5	•gob	too late . . . no friends	Mint
15	19	2	Smashing Pumpkins	Mellon Collie and . . .	Virgin
16	2	7	Various Artists	A Slice Of Lemon	Lookout!
17	9	2	fluf	The Classic Years	Headhunter
18	-	7	•Menswear	Nuisance	Polygram
19	-	nu	•Various Artists	Rock Hits	Sonic Unyon
20	23	5	DRI	Full Speed Ahead	Fringe
21	17	5	Eat Static	Abduction	Planet Dog
22	10	10	•D.O.A.	The Black Spot	Virgin/EMI
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Riding the



by Steve Martinovich
Staff Writer

Besides access to information, the age of communication has also fostered a side effect that I don't particularly like...the long distance bill. I quickly forget the effortlessness of faxing from my desktop or talking to industry types when Bell Canada presents me with the bill. Fortunately there is a way of cutting some of this cost down, and VocalTec are pioneering the way.

With VocalTec's software, you can use the Internet to make long distance and international calls at no cost (apart from the purchase of the software) and in real time. The software makes use of the Internet Relay Chat (IRC) where people get together and exchange messages. Internet Phone, though, is not a chat program, but a voice driven system.

The software connects to the IRC, and the users present are the ones that you can talk to. Upon connection, you're presented with a list of names and topics of conversation. By clicking on the name of a person who is on-line you can call them. The rest is just like the regular phone, except your using your PC as the phone. The software also allows you to create private areas that limit whom you want to allow in.

How does it work? It's a fairly technical explanation, but to simplify it, the software uses a slick voice compression algorithm that supports full duplex audio. Make sense? Don't worry, all you need to know is how to point and click, something that even Windows users know how to do...

Right now the sharp ones should be asking, "Okay, what do I need to run this puppy?". According to VocalTec you'll need the following:

- at least a 486SX PC with 25Mhz and 8mb of RAM (486/50Mhz needed for full duplex)
- Windows 3.1 or higher (Mac owners like me right now are out of luck)
- a Winsock 1.1 compatible TCP/IP

Internet connection

- Windows compatible audio board, a microphone and a speaker
- a 14, 400 baud connection
- A 60 second trial copy is available for testing at [ftp.vocaltec.com](ftp:vocaltec.com), with user name ftp. For a fully functional copy of the software, call the company at 201-768-9400 or email them for information at info.vocaltec.com.

What does this all mean to you? With the right technology (and many DOS owners own the stuff in that list) you can talk to anyone else in the world with this set-up for free. In a sense you're taking control of your own communication, and it costs you almost nothing. While VocalTec is primarily aiming this at business, this is within the reach of the average user.

The median level of technology needed to do this stuff is constantly falling. Even owners of older machines can do some pretty stunning stuff so try this stuff out...

If you have any questions related to the Internet then you can write to me care of *Lambda*. I'll answer all questions at the end of these articles.

Took some work to come

up with this week's cool sites, but all of them are pretty good. Starting off is the Team NFL Game Day (<http://www.nflhome.com/>). Created by the NFL, this site provides extensive information on that week's matchups, weather reports, information, injury reports. It's enough to keep me happy...though it would be nice to see the Jets win again this season...

My favourite page of the week is Evil People, Inc. According to this page, they are responsible for the Nixon Administration, Bill Gates and Microsoft, and Highlander II and III (someone had to be), among other 'achievements.' You also get to sell your soul, among other activities. Find out Iron Maiden was singing about for half their career at <http://www.catch22.com/~bharris/EvilPeople/>.

Finally, the 50 Greatest Conspiracies of All Time is the perfect page for the paranoid. Want to know the scoop on that lame "Alien Autopsy" show that Riker from Star Trek hosted? The JFK shooting? (message to Don Scott...Oswald did it!) To find out these and other answers at <http://www.webcom.com/~conspire/>.

Hot Web Sites

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Mouthing off

What would you do if you woke up one morning and you were a member of the opposite sex? (no answers like I'd cry)



Tara
I would dress in drag for a day.



Carine
I would visit gay bars and say I couldn't deal with PMS.



Andie
I would try to urinate my name in the snow and find out the appeal of sheep.



Pam
Find out what's with scratching and spitting. I would also try to go to the gym and see what they talk about.



Mike
Feel my self up, experience multiple orgasms and see if I could go to the bathroom by my self.



Carl
Experience PMS and see if it is real or if it is a crock.

Please note that the opinions expressed might not be that of the person who picture appears due to the fact that our photo editor went psycho due to midterms this week.



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World Soccer News



by Takis Zervas
Columnist

Libero, libero, the soccer news continues as exams and Christmas holidays approach. But never a dull moment for my soccer friends. Mortality continues around the soccer world and the insanity of players is increasing.

In Italy, Italian police have said they believe footballer Edoardo Bortolotti, 25, who died after falling from a third-floor balcony, had committed suicide. Bortolotti, who played as defender for **Brescia** and made four appearances for Italy's Under-21 side, was banned from soccer for 12 months in May 1991 for cocaine use, and was said by his father Giacomo to have been "extremely depressed"... It did not take long for the Italian press to turn on Paul Ince. Italian journalists raved about the England midfielder's performances for **Internazionale**. However, Ince's early performance in **Inter's** 4-0 defeat to **Torino** earned him the dubious honour of *L'asino della Settimana* (Donkey of the Week) from weekly sports magazine **Guerin Sportivo**.

In Cuba, Lazaro Abuin Sanchez, a member of the Cuban national team, has defected to the United States. Sanchez, 17, made his move during his team's stop-over at Miami International Airport, where he was turned over to immigration officials. The team was on its way back to Cuba following a 10-day visit to Philadelphia.

In South Africa, Eric Cantona's influence is growing. A South African player is the latest victim, given a one year ban from the game after landing a kung fu kick... on his own coach! **Rabali Blackpool's** Austrian-born coach, Walter Rautmann, needed treatment for a kidney injury after the incident with **Rabali** defender Ahmed Gora Ebrahim. The player was taken away in a police van after the incident in a

First Division match against visiting **Umtata Bucks** in Thohoyandou, shown live on South African TV. Substituted after just 16 minutes, Ebrahim tore off his shirt as he walked off the pitch and then launched a Cantona-Style kick at the coach.

In Nigeria, Nigerian club **Julius Berger** reached the final of the African Cup-winners with a 1-0 win over Mozambique's **Maxaquene**, but their celebrations were cut short when midfielder Amir Angwe collapsed and died from heart failure.

Angwe is the second Nigerian to die on the pitch in as many months. In September, Igenewari George, brother of **Ajax** star Finidi, was shot dead by a stray bullet after fans rioted following an FA Cup match between his team, **Rangers International**, and **Stationary Stores FC**. The Nigerian FA has banned **Stores** from all football activities for 12 months and ordered the club to pay \$2,200 in compensation to **Rangers**.

In Japan, Japan's professional J. League will adopt a single-series format next year instead of the current two-stage system. The 1996 season will kick off in mid-March and end in November, with one round of matches per week. Each J. League club would play the others twice during the season.

In South America, Harold Lozano, a Colombian international midfielder, has swapped one club for another with the same name. He has gone from **America** of Colombia to **America** of Mexico in a loan deal. The Mexicans are paying \$500,000 to keep him for the rest of the season, with an option to buy.

In Senegal, **Diaraf Dakar** beat **As Douanes** 2-0 to win the Cup... In Togo, **Semassi Sokode** romped to the Togo Championship by six points from **Etoile Filante**. It was their fourth successive title.

Quote of the week from the Soccer World: "*Juninho won't find the language a problem. He only needs to know three bits of English: pound, thank you, and bye-bye.*" (**Middlesbrough** star Jan-Aage Fjortoft on **Middlesbrough's** new Brazilian arrival.)

Hit the Trails

Attention, Laurentian Students! If you are the type of person that likes having fun in the snow, then are you in for a good time at this year's Intramural Cross-Country Skiing event. This year the event will commence on **February 2, 1996** at the Laurentian ski trails located behind the stadium. Again, this year there will be a team obstacle course race and a general ski race to follow. A raffle ticket will be given to a participant each time a loop of the trail has been skied. At the end of the race, tickets will be drawn for various prizes. All participants will receive a raffle ticket just for coming out.

Therefore be sure to bring up your skis after Christmas if you do not already have them here. Do not worry if you do not own skis because you will be able to rent them behind the stadium the day of the event for a nominal fee (about \$2.50). Skiers of all levels are encouraged to come out. Even if you have never skied before, do not be afraid to come out and have fun learning. So be sure to grab your friends and sign up for this unforgettable event. Sign-ups for this event will be between **January 8-18** at the **Active Living Department** located in the Ben Avery Building. There is no entry fee for this event. For more information, contact Andrew Jamieson at 673-6956.

Hot Badminton Action!

by Dee Dee Gagnon
Contributor

Add a new item to your Christmas wish list: a badminton racquet! You will want to have it on March 3rd for the Intramural Badminton tournament. If you happen to be on Santa's naughty list, do not worry. We will have some racquets available. Then all you need is a partner of the opposite sex for a one day tournament filled with fun, excitement, and the opportunity to win some fabulous prizes. Registration will be held from Monday, February 5th until Thursday, February 15th; however, with a limit of 24 teams, you must act early. Watch for more information on posters and in upcoming *Lambda* articles.

Watch for 3-on-3 Basketball

by Angela Lilly
Contributor

A leprechaun has been sighted running around the L.U. gymnasium in preparation for this year's 3-on-3 Intramural Basketball Tournament! YES, FANS—the annual 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament is back for another great and exciting day of some groovy moves and interviews. Mark the 17th of March, 1996 on your calendar because you will be busy in the Ben Avery Gymnasium. Registration occurs Monday, Feb. 5th, 1996 and runs till Thurs., Feb. 8th, 1996 at the Active Living Office. The league can only accommodate 12 men's teams and 12 women's teams; early registration is encouraged. Full-time or part-time faculty, staff, or student combinations are eligible. The cost is only \$5.00 per player and is due at the time of registration. Even though the tournament is four months away, this early notice should allow you to get your championship team together and all your plays together. In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact Angela at 671-3679.

Ready to Get Wet?

by Kevin "Chips" Davey
Contributor

Are you bored of standard, run of the mill intramural sports such as hockey, basketball, and volleyball? Is it time for a change of pace? Well, get ready for refreshing action and excitement, boys and girls! Laurentian University's Intramural Sports program is proud to announce a unique upcoming event. Interested L.U. students will be given the opportunity to participate in a Co-ed Innertube Water Polo tournament. L. U.'s Olympic Gold pool will be the site of this interesting tournament to be held February 10-11, 1996. Over that weekend, eight teams of 10-15 enthusiastic players will battle it out for bragging rights to pool supremacy. As well, creativity, MVP, and championship prizes will be up for grabs, courtesy of our local sponsors.

Registration for Innertube Water Polo will be held January 8-16, and the entry fee is a meager ten dollars per team. Registration is limited to the first eight teams, so be sure to get in line as early as possible in order to avoid disappointment. For further information, feel free to contact Kevin at 673-9742.

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KC is Fake; San Fran is For Real

by Biff and Bart
Columnists

the 3 extra days rest the Cowboys earned following last Thursday's game, the Boys should Skin Washington easily. Prediction: Dallas 31, Washington 17.

2) *Buffalo (8-4) at San Francisco (8-4)*: Without Steve Young, San Fran had the momentum placed in their court thanks to Elvis Grbac's leadership skills. Now that Young has returned, expect the great offense to work out the kinks and be even better than it has been the past 3 weeks. The defensive lineup which the Niners field each week resembles an All-Pro squad. They have proven to the rest of the league that they must come out to play hard or else stay home. Look for Dana Stubblefield to have a career game against Buffalo. He may even be able to get to the Bills QB Jim Kelly and take him out for the rest of the game. Prediction: San Francisco 37, Buffalo 21.

3) *Atlanta (8-4) at Miami (6-6)*: Another record for the books. Now that the records are finally behind, Dan Marino can focus his attention on winning football games. The Dolphins should overcome the lull they have been in the past 3 weeks

and finish the season strong. With 19 former 1st rounders in their lineup, the Dolphins were suppose to be the elite of the AFC this season. But as faith would have it, they may not even make the playoffs. If Miami does not make the playoffs, expect many changes to happen in the off-season (this means you too, Don Shula). As for the fame, Atlanta will not be able to keep up with the offensive power of the Dolphins and shall lose this must-win game. Prediction: Miami 37, Atlanta 20.

4) *Kansas City (10-2) at Oakland (9-3)*: After last week's loss to the Cowboys, KC has been brought back to reality. The first matchup between these two giants in the AFC brought an exciting finish which ended by the James Hasty taking it all the way in O/T for the victory. Do not expect a repeat of this incident to occur very soon. As for the Raiders, they are out to prove that they are a team not to be tampered with, although Jeff Hostetler may be out for the 2nd consecutive week. Oakland is also playing at home and the Silver and Black are out to prove that the first meeting was a fluke. This should be a great aerial show by both teams, but



the Raiders look like the better team. Prediction: Oakland 27, Kansas City 17.

Bart's Season Total: 22-22

Bart, you may come close but remember: Biff is still number one. In fact, after this past week, it looks like I'm ready to pull away. Here's my great picks for this week:

1) *Buffalo (8-4) at San Francisco (8-4)*: Boy, did Steve Young ever need a rest. I mean, he only threw for 3 TDs last week in their romp against the Rams. The injury which he suffered about a month back may be a blessing in disguise. Because of the injury, he was able to rest and is now fresh for the stretch drive and the road to the Super Bowl. Both these teams put on a great show two years ago when both teams engaged in a scoring fest. In fact, neither team punted throughout the whole game. I don't expect the same to happen here, but I do see the Niners winning this one. Buffalo may be going downhill after starting the season so strong. Prediction: San Fran 44, Buffalo 20.

2) *Chicago (7-5) at Detroit (6-6)*: This game has a chance to be Detroit's second consecutive game where they are involved in a scoring fest. Last week against Minnesota they put 44 points on the board and just barely won. The Bears have been winning games thanks to their offense this season. Detroit is making their late season run to win the NFC Division

again and with the majority of their games against opponents who have a sub-500 record. This may be a toss-up but I like the Lions only because of the Barry factor. Prediction: Detroit 37, Chicago 33.

3) *Kansas City (10-2) at Oakland (8-3)*: I like Bart's vision on the game. However, he hasn't taken into account one major factor into account. The Chiefs have won 10 of the last 12 and the last 5 in a row against the Raiders. They are even 1-0 since Oakland moved across the state. I really don't know how the Chiefs can win this one but I still think they will win in the last few seconds of the game. Prediction: Kansas City 23, Oakland 20.

4) *Philadelphia (8-4) at Seattle (5-7)*: This appears to be a mismatch on paper, but... That's why they play the game. The Eagles play at home versus the Cowboys next week and there is a very good chance that they may be thinking ahead to that one. In fact, Seattle is no slouch. The 'Hawks have an exciting rookie, Joey Galloway, who can win a game by himself and I expect him to do that in this one. Seattle has a great defense who will be able to contain the running back tandem of Rickey Watters and Charlie Garner. For some reason, I expect Rodney Peete will not be able to finish this game. Can you say Cortez? Prediction: Seattle 30, Philadelphia 22.

Biff's Season Total: 23-21

Hockey Vees Are Still # 1

by Lianne Gagnon
Assistant Sports Editor

The Vees hosted the York Yeomen and the Waterloo Warriors on the 25th and 26th of November with the intention of remaining in first place in the OUAA Mid-West Division. Unfortunately, they lost to York but were able to beat Waterloo the following game.

L.U. played a disappointing game on Saturday, losing to the York Yeomen by a score of 5-2. The Vees' Darren Dougan got the ball rolling early in the first, only for York's Mike Feasby to score shortly after. The players left the first period with a one-all tie.

York's Ben Dairs blew one past Vees' goalie Sean Spencer early in the second. Kiley Hill scored seconds later, once again ending the period with a tied score.

The third period belonged to York who scored three times to win the game 5-2. The Yeomen's Ben Davis, Jeremy Crane, and Jason Bonnyman assured York's victory.

Saturday's game proved to be L.U.'s most physical contest at home this season. Eleven penalties were called in the first, mostly for roughing and stick work. With just seconds to go in the first, Laurentian's Kiley Hill and York's Mike Feasby exchanged baton-pleasantries. Hill stormed off the ice and Feasby received a match penalty. York's coaches kicked at air while screaming that the officiating was "UNBELIEVABLE," and gave the fans an amusing show.

During the Vees' road game in Montreal, right wing Kevin MacKay received a three game suspension. He did not play during this weekend's games but will return for Laurentian's next home series.

Penalties killed the Vees in Saturday's game. Four of York's goals were scored with the man-advantage.

Darren Dougan was Saturday's MVP, scoring once and firing 13 shots on net. The York goalie must have had a horseshoe hidden somewhere in his padding because he prevented some sure goals with amazing saves.

Hyrsky admits the team let its guard down in the third period and were over-confident to begin with. When asked how his boys would do on Sunday against Waterloo, Hyrsky said they would be ready for them.

And sure enough, the Vees won their game against the Warriors by a score of 7-5, but not without adding a few gray hairs to coach Dave Hyrsky's head.

The Vees opened the score in the first period with a goal by Duane Lewis. Mark Cardiff and Cheldon Gilchrist scored two for Waterloo. The period ended with a one goal Warrior lead.

The Vees dominated the second period, with two goals by Darren Dougan and one by Brad Baber. Waterloo managed to get one goal by Vees' goalie Sean Spencer during the second to end the period 4-3 for L.U.

Despite the occasional defensive blunder during the third, the Vees potted another three goals by Brad Baber, Cory Evans, and R i c k

Borthwick. Cheldon Gilchrist and Chris Kraemer had goals f o r Waterloo to round the scoring with a 7-5 victory for

L.U.

Sunday's MVP's were captain Darren Dougan and defenseman Al Girouand. Dougan, the series MVP, racked up five points this weekend, with three goals and two assists.

The Vees still lead the Mid-West Division as they head into this weekend's game with UQTR, the toughest team in the nation. Coach Hyrsky feels confident the Voyageurs can beat the Quebec team.

"We need to play smart, disciplined hockey against Three Rivers," said Hyrsky. The Vees previously played UQTR in the pre-season and won. Hyrsky is confident his players can beat the number one team again. In fact, he said he would "put my group of guys against anybody."

At 7:00 p.m. on Sat., the Vees host UQTR. They play the Concordia Stingers at 2:00 p.m. on Sun. Both games will be played at the Sudbury Arena, so come out and support the team! They could prove to be the most exciting games the Vees will play all season...

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Laurentian Varsity Veeline

Women's Swimming: The Lady Aqua Vees travelled to Toronto on Friday to compete in the OWIAA Invitational. The Lady Vees had a great weekend with two swimmers qualifying for the CIAU's. Andrea Nicholls, a rookie, was the weekend MVP. She qualified for the CIAU's twice in the 400 IM and the 200 BR. Angie Lilly was also a CIAU qualifier in the 400 IM and the 200 IM. Great job, Lady Aqua Vees! The three stars of the meet are as follows:

1st Star - Andrea Nicholls

400 IM - 1st
200 BR - 2nd
200 BK - 3rd

2nd Star - Angie Lilly

400 IM - 2nd
200 IM - 3rd
50 FR - 5th

3rd Star - Pam Hutchinson

200 FLY - 2nd
200 BK - 5th
50 BK - 7th

Men's Swimming: The Laurentian team headed south to stroke through the OUAA Invitational. The Aqua Vees had a very successful weekend, with two additional CIAU qualifiers and a couple of new meet records. Rookie Chris Churchill qualified for the CIAU's in the 400 IM, and Philippe Voisard also qualified in the 400 FR. They are to join Brad Johnson and Dave Chisholm who have already qualified. Brad Johnson, this weekend's MVP, broke two meet records in the 50 FLY and 50 FR. Congratulations to the Aqua Vees! The three stars of the meet are as follows:

1st Star - Brad Johnson

50 FLY - 1st
50 FR - 1st
100 FLY - 1st
100 FR - 2nd

2nd Star - Jason Wicke

200 FR - 1st
200 BK - 1st
100 BK - 2nd

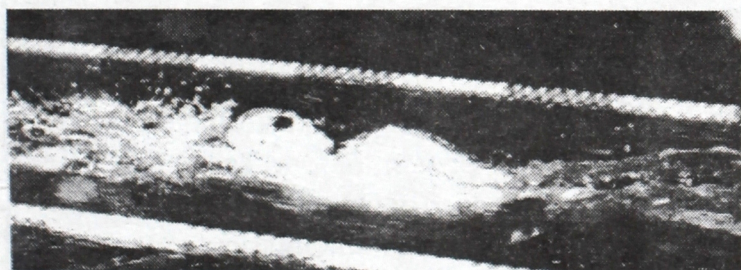
3rd Star - Dave Chisholm

1500 FR - 1st
400 FR - 1st
200 FR - 3rd

Both the men and the women storm the waters next year on Friday, January 12. They will travel to Toronto to compete with York and the University of Toronto in a couple of dual meets.

OUAA Athlete of the Week: Aqua Vee Brad Johnson has been honoured as the best Ontario athlete for his three firsts and one second place finishes at the OUAA Invitational. Johnson, a second year Commerce student and London, Ontario native, set two meet records in the 50 FLY and the 50 FR.

Men's and Women's Track and Field: The Voyageurs and the Lady Vees travel to London, Ontario to sprint, leap, and hurl in the Western Open. They compete on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. They then hop the bus to Toronto for the 1st Chance Open Qualifier on January 6, 1996 at 2:00 p.m. Good luck to our track and field athletes.



Vees Ride Mustangs Towards Ranking

by Dan Scott
Staff Writer

The big question appeared to be "Will Laurentian's defeat of the tenth-ranked team in Canada get them a spot in the rankings?" until a bigger question took its place: "Will Cory Bailey be back in time for the regular season?"

Bailey scored 32 points and squeezed 14 rebounds to lead the Voyageurs to a 96-81 victory over the Western Mustangs last weekend, but hushed the previously spirited crowd when he left the game in the final minutes with an ankle injury.

Commenting on his team's victory, Coach Campbell credited Adam Dusome with "hitting some big shots early in the game" to inject some confidence into the Vees, who appeared somewhat intimidated by the size of the Mustangs early in the game.

Perhaps Western's national ranking, combined with their 14 point victory over Laurentian earlier this

season, had initially held back the Voyageurs—but after Dusome's pair of treys opened the Vees scoring, our boys kicked it into gear.

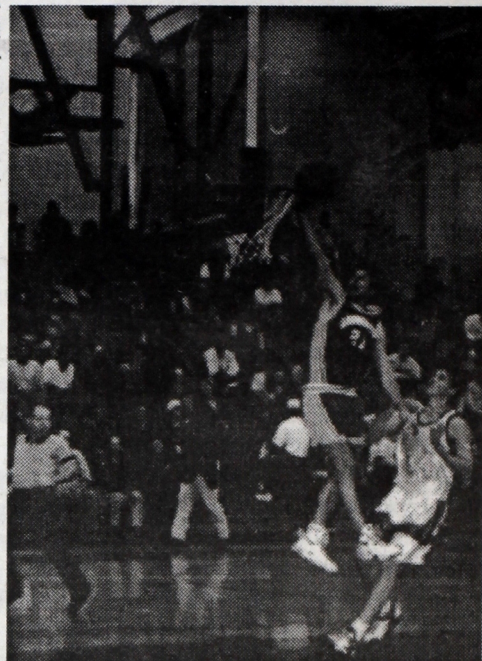
After ten minutes of neck-and-neck play, the Vees opened up a five point lead and built upon it until the half-time buzzer left the scoreboard reading 46-38 in Laurentian's favour.

In the second half, Dusome again kickstarted the Vees by scoring their first five points. Despite some questionable referee decisions in the half, Laurentian maintained their self-control—unlike the overheated Mustangs, who collected two technical fouls via their futile (and hostile) arguments with the refs.

The "T"s enabled the Vees to regain their edge after slipping to just a two-point lead ten minutes into the half. Jason Hurley poured in 5 of his 6 three-point baskets in the remainder of the game to break the Mustang's spirit.

Campbell also

had kind words for Shawn Swords, who hit some timely shots in his 14-point effort, and for rookie center Roan Biggs, on the basis of his mature play inside against some considerably more experienced Western players. The win set up a meeting on Saturday night against the Manitoba Bisons, who looked like a powerhouse against Lakehead on Friday.



Vees Defeat Manitoba

by Rick Dennie
Contributor

Going into this weekend's Northern Challenge, basketball fans knew that the Vees' play would determine whether or not they could compete with the best. If this was a test of some sort, the Vees passed with flying colours. After beating the tenth ranked Western Mustangs on Friday, L.U. returned on Saturday to whip another highly ranked team. The Voyageurs defeated the Manitoba Bisons by the score of 89-70.

The Vees got off to somewhat of a slow start against the Bisons. Manitoba is a better team than their ranking would indicate. One of their only two losses came against fourth ranked UBC. The Bisons were ahead early thanks to Marc Virgo who was able to light it up from downtown. Once the Vees were able to contain Virgo, largely thanks to Shawn Swords, they went ahead to control the game. From then on, it was all L.U. At the

half, the Vees were up by ten points.

The second half was much of the same. The fans who attended the game, notably the U. of S. 2nd Red boys, would not let the Vees lose their grip. Despite being smaller than Friday's crowd, they were as loud if not louder. L.U. poured it on and were up by as much as 20 near the end. Thanks to some stellar defense on behalf of the Vees, Manitoba was never able to get any momentum going.

Key players for the Vees stepped up and had great games, which is undoubtedly necessary in order to beat ranked teams. Shawn Swords was his usual self, hitting clutch threes and accounting for 25 of L.U.'s points. Words such as "unreal" and "amazing" could be

heard muttered by the crowd throughout and after the game. He was named tournament MVP. Cory Bailey, despite playing on a tender ankle Sat., was also strong. He had 19 points and was named to the all-star team.

Swords and Bailey led the way, but Coach Campbell credited the whole team with a valiant effort. "Swords and Bailey had good games but you can't beat an eighth ranked team with only two guys. The other guys played well and there were some great performances off the bench," said the Vees' coach. This weekend goes a long way to helping the Vees earn a spot among the top ten teams in the country. It was perhaps their best weekend so far and they might make the rankings shortly after Christmas once the league starts.

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